<u>REMARKS</u>

Applicants have amended the claims to eliminate multiple dependencies and adapt the claims to U.S. patent practice.

Claims 1-17 were canceled. Claims 18-36 are new. Claims 18-36 are currently pending in the subject application. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

A check in the amount of \$200.00 is enclosed to cover the extra claim fee for one independent claim in excess of three. Please charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-1816.

Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

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